

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GEERT MAERTENS
LIEVEN STUYVER

Serial No.: 08/836,075

Filed: April 21, 1997

For: NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS
GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS
PROPHYLACTIC, THERAPEUTIC AND
DIAGNOSTIC AGENTS



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Examiner: M. Zeman

Attorney Docket: INNS004/KAM

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 23, 1998

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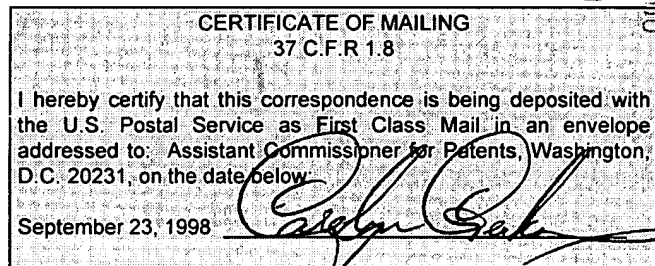
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including September 23, 1998 in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 23, 1998.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check including the \$475.00 small entity fee for a three-month extension of time is enclosed.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an

overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/INNS004KAM.

Respectfully submitted,



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